

REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 3700

Attorney's Docket No. 005618.P3001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application for:

**Dagmar Bettina Beyerlein**

Application No. 10/029,608

Filed: December 20, 2001

For: Contact and Penetration Depth Sensor For  
A Needle Assembly

Examiner: Manual A. Mendez

Art Unit: 3763

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir or Madam:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 12, 2006, please amend the above-captioned application as set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims and begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.